

# WORLD OF SPORT

## RITCHIE MUST SAIL IN TO WIN

American Champion Must Do Whirlwind Work If He Expects to Knock Out Welsh.

### BITTER OPPONENTS

McFarland Thinks Englishmen Best Boxer—Bout Will Be Grudge Fight.

BY MONTY.

New York, July 4.—If Willie Ritchie sails into Freddie Welsh and keeps on top of him at full speed from the start, he will knock out the Englishman beyond the shadow of a doubt, according to the way their bout in London last Tuesday night is figured by the majority of New York ring followers. But if Ritchie is just going to stand up and box with the holder of the Lord Londale belt, there will be a new world's lightweight champion in the way of thinking.

Seldom has there been more discussion here about an out of town fight than is now going the rounds over the coming lightweight affair. And, strange to say, the sympathies of the large majority are not with the American. This is due partly of course to the fact that Harry Pollak, a New Yorker who knows everybody in the world, is managing the British champion. Gotham boxing champs have fallen for his side of the long waged controversy with Ritchie in which each side slung mud at the other for more than two years, the climax being reached when Ritchie left town the night before their scheduled encounter in Vancouver, British Columbia, last year.

Since that time the men have been about as bitter rivals as can be imagined, absolutely hating each other in the full sense of the term. Ritchie has refused to have anything to do with Welsh or his manager and has hinted at unfair methods of various sorts while they retorted with cries that Ritchie was yellow and afraid to meet the Briton. However, he is now ready to go to it, and words will give way to the mailed fist.

Welsh as a boxer of cleverness is excelled by nobody, not even by the great



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Robinson signs with Dodgers for three years. Left to right—Wilbert Robinson and Jake Daubert. Daubert remains as Captain.

Wilbert Robinson, has signed for three more years as manager of Brooklyn Nationals, and Jake Daubert, first baseman will retain his captaincy.

## CALIFORNIANS PLAN TO GET TOURNAMENT

San Francisco, July 4.—The "California tennis syndicate" as the little group of stars which has cleaned up the East and Wimbledon in recent years is lightly referred to, is laying deep plans to dethrone Newport from her seat as queen of tournaments. The Coast players desire the National All Comers or an event equally as important. They say this is due them for their capture of the Davis Cup and they expect to clinch their claims by successfully defending this international trophy.

## RAIN ROBS OGDEN OF GAME IN FOURTH INNING

"Jupiter Pluvius" beat the Cannons out of a victory for the second time this season, yesterday afternoon, when he sent down a hail and rain storm in the fourth inning, that made a lake out of the Glenwood diamond.

Manager Quigley had chosen Ames to do the twirling for his club and "Sunshine" Ballinger was "twisting 'em over" for "Dad" Gimlin's nine.

Just to give "Randy" encouragement Dowling and Risberg played Daschbach and Quigley out at first and Randy helped himself by throwing Rader out at the same bag.

In the second half, the Cannons began on Ames just as they did the first day of the series. Dowling again proved to be the right man at the top of the batting order, by land- ing on the third ball pitched so hard that it went over the right field fence and "Bill" touched all the bases. Woolums tried to duplicate the feat a moment later, but the ball went a little too far to the east and hit the fence, permitting him to make only two bases. Manager Quigley then booted a grounder off Jones' bat and "Ducky" reached first, while Woolums advanced to third. Cobb scored Woolums with a sacrifice fly and Risberg fanned. With Rader up, Jones stole second and the inning was ended when Ames beat Rader to first by a narrow margin, Clark making the assist.

In the second inning, Ballinger hit a big-league stride and whiffed Luss, Clark and Dean, in succession. The Cannons went out almost as fast, but in a different way. Ellis went out at first, Quigley to Clark. Seabough flied to Daschbach and Ballinger went out, McNeil to Clark.

The visitors almost got one over in the third. McNeil flied to Cobb and Gleason got a two-bagger. Ames went out, Jones to Woolums, Gleason advancing to third on the play. The next man went out.

The second half was a "howling" success from the fans' point of view. It started off with Dowling getting a pass to first, Quigley then booted Woolums' grounder giving that player a life and Dowling an additional base. The two executed a double steal, drawing a bad peg to third from Gleason and, on the error, Dowling registered his second run. Jones scored Woolums with a single and then stole second base. Cobb went out, McNeil to Clark, and Risberg advanced Jones another base with a single. The two Cannons then attempted a double steal. This drew a peg from Gleason to Rader, to catch Risberg at second, but Rader thought better of it and returned the ball to Gleason. Jones was cut off at the plate and Risberg was left safe at second. Rader went out, Rader to Clark.

The Vigilantes managed to put one over in the first half of the fourth and Luss got even with the "fourms" for many a called strike by tipping a foul on to that gentlemen's right ankle.

Rader met one in the groove with a heave that sent it into deep centerfield and he didn't stop running until he landed on third base. Quigley went out, Ballinger to Woolums. Luss went up and sent a foul tip better of it and returned the ball to the grandstand. In less than a minute, on his ankle, causing Longenecker to hurl his mask against the grandstand and do a "war dance" out along the first base line. Almost eighteen players went to his assistance, but time eased the pain and the play was again started. "What happened to Luss?" He struck out. Clark singled, scoring Rader and then went

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McFarland, despite the fact that Packey is spoken of by many skilled critics as the most wonderful boxer the world has known.

The bare unvarnished truth of their ring records bolsters such an assertion, however, for in several meetings the best either could do, judged by the facts of what occurred in the ring instead of by newspaper opinions, etc., was to draw. They wound up even Stevens in their series.

It will be remembered how Ritchie, whose real name, by the way, is not Ritchie but Geary Steffen—was once the sparring partner of Packey. It was while holding that job that he got his first chance to bob into the limelight when Al Wolgast was taken sick on the eve of a bout with Welsh and Ritchie was summoned to substitute for Adolph. Ritchie managed to last out the full twenty rounds, the Pacific Coast limit, but was outpointed by the Britisher, who hardly was extended.

From that time the hostility of the men dated. Ritchie, puffed up as a boy, will be by such a promising start, thought he could beat Welsh. If they met again, but the latter said no. Then, later on, when Ritchie won the world's title from Wolgast, Welsh was the man who did the asking and Ritchie the one who refused.

It ought to be possible to get a pretty good line on the relative merits of Ritchie and Welsh. McFarland, who has opposed both often enough to know their style almost as well as his own, Packey thinks Welsh outclasses Ritchie as a boxer pure and simple, and so does nearly everybody else, or at least nearly everybody that can be found around these dignities. Welsh can be dazzled, though, by a constant attack, if his opponent only will constantly keep coming at him—that will do for the word constant. There is the whole thing in a nutshell, then as New Yorkers see it. Will Ritchie keep his man running away fast enough to tire him and mix him up, or will he make it a tame tapping match and allow Welsh to outpoint him three to one? When answering this question, remember you are talking about a grudge fight.

## AMERICANS BUY TWO PLAYERS

New York, July 4.—Negotiations have been practically concluded for the purchase by the New York League club of Monte Pyl, first baseman and outfielder Strait from Jersey City of the International League. Both Pyl and Strait are wanted by Manager Chance because of their lorkers' met. Pyl was carried off the New York Giants. He jumped to the Coast outlaws. When the league was taken into organized ball Pyl was sentenced to five years in that company. Later he was reinstated and McGraw permitted him to sign with Jersey City. Strait also comes from the Pacific Coast, where he gained a reputation as a distance hitter.

## AMERICAN FOOTBALL STANDING DECIDED

Christiansburg, July 4.—As a result of action at the International Congress here, the United States Football Association's membership in the International Association of American Football has been made full and permanent.

There are now twenty-two members in the international body, which controls soccer all over the world. This action in regard to the United States is due to the initiative of Secretary T. W. Cahill of the American claim for recognition was first presented by Secretary Cahill

## FEDERALS TO HAVE POST SEASON SERIES

Chicago, July 4.—A post-season series between Federal League teams, which will furnish a consolation stake for the participants after the nature of organized baseball's world's series spoils, may be adopted by President James A. Gilmore, if his colleagues agree to stand the expense. The idea was suggested by John M. Ward, business manager of the Brooklyn entry.

The ward brothers, who have plenty of money for advertising purposes, are willing to furnish their share of a \$50,000 pool to be contested by the pennant winners and a team of stars from the seven other clubs. The stars would be selected by writers who follow the fortunes of the independents.

The money would be divided sixty per cent to the winners and forty per cent to the losers. As an incentive to winning the pennant, Ward further proposes to present each player of the champion team with a \$4,000 automobile.

## STANDING OF CLUBS

| Union Association. |      |       |      |
|--------------------|------|-------|------|
|                    | Won. | Lost. | Pct. |
| Salt Lake          | 35   | 22    | .614 |
| Ogden              | 34   | 23    | .596 |
| Murray             | 27   | 28    | .491 |
| Butte              | 27   | 29    | .482 |
| Boise              | 27   | 31    | .466 |
| Helena             | 18   | 35    | .340 |

  

| National League. |      |       |      |
|------------------|------|-------|------|
|                  | Won. | Lost. | Pct. |
| New York         | 38   | 24    | .612 |
| Chicago          | 37   | 32    | .536 |
| St. Louis        | 35   | 35    | .500 |
| Cincinnati       | 34   | 34    | .500 |
| Pittsburg        | 31   | 32    | .492 |
| Philadelphia     | 30   | 32    | .482 |
| Brooklyn         | 29   | 33    | .468 |
| Boston           | 26   | 38    | .406 |

  

| American League. |      |       |      |
|------------------|------|-------|------|
|                  | Won. | Lost. | Pct. |
| Philadelphia     | 41   | 28    | .594 |
| Detroit          | 41   | 31    | .569 |
| Washington       | 37   | 32    | .536 |
| St. Louis        | 37   | 33    | .529 |
| Boston           | 37   | 33    | .529 |
| Chicago          | 35   | 33    | .515 |
| Cleveland        | 26   | 44    | .371 |
| New York         | 23   | 43    | .348 |

  

| Federal League. |      |       |      |
|-----------------|------|-------|------|
|                 | Won. | Lost. | Pct. |
| Chicago         | 38   | 27    | .585 |
| Indianapolis    | 36   | 27    | .571 |
| Baltimore       | 35   | 28    | .556 |
| Buffalo         | 32   | 28    | .533 |

## DUKE KAHANAMOKU FINISHES SECOND

San Francisco, July 3.—Duke Kahanamoku of Honolulu, holder of many world's swimming records, finished second tonight in the first half mile race of his career.

Ludy Langer, Los Angeles Athletic club won, bettering his own Pacific Coast record with a new one of 11:45. H. Hebler, Illinois A. C. club, finished third.

In the third heat of the 100-yard dash A. C. Raphael of the Illinois Athletic club, swam the distance in 55.15 seconds, three-fifths of a second slower than the world record, held by Kahanamoku.

P. McGilivray entered in the half mile, did not swim tonight.

Miss Lida Fleitmann of New York, who won a number of prizes as an equestrienne at the Olympia, England, was commended to appear at Buckingham Palace. She was recently complimented by the King and Queen of England.

DOES THAT NEW NEIGHBOR OVER THERE EVER SPEAK TO YOU, SAM?

NUP!

THAT'S STRANGE! THEY'VE BEEN HERE OVER A WEEK NOW!!

YEP!

WELL, TO BE NEIGHBORLY I THINK I'LL GO OVER AND BID HIM THE TIME OF DAY!!

SUAH!

HOW DO YOU LIKE YOUR NEW HOME, SIR?

PRETTY GOOD!

HAVE YOU CALLED ON ANY OF YOUR NEIGHBORS YET?

NO, NOT YET.

BUT I'M GOING TO IF ANY MORE OF MY CHICKENS ARE MISSING!!

EXCUSE ME!